

MISS CONNOR'S PUPILS GIVE THEIR RECITAL

The piano and violin pupils of Miss Mary Connor gave their first annual recital at the armory Friday evening. Although Ocala was Miss Connor's childhood home, she has only recently come back here to live, and during her residence here she has added a great deal to our musical circles. Musical to the finger tips, being both a splendid pianist and an exquisite violinist, playing with a wonderful amount of technique and expression. Miss Connor has been heard on many occasions in this city. Her pupils reflect a great deal of credit on the patient and painstaking instruction she has given them. Some of her violin pupils play exceedingly well, and would do credit to much older musicians. Miss Connor has been reared in a musical atmosphere and for many years was a pupil of the late Mrs. Annie Green Parker, formerly of this city, from whom she received the ground work of her musical training. She has an excellent class, and Friday night the following program was beautifully rendered by her pupils:

"The American School March" (H. Engleman)—Violins, Eula Owen, Fred MacKay, Robert Connor, Fred Meffert, Chas. Fishel and Edward Connor; piano, Elizabeth Owen and Ruth Hardee.

Violin Duet, "Sing Me to Sleep" (C. Greene)—Miriam Connor and Linn Sanders.

Violin Solo, "Harp Sounds" (Jungmann)—Fred Meffert.

Piano Trio, "Ballata" (G. B. Pagnoncelli)—May and Rae Stine and Mary Connor.

Violin Solo, "Adoration" (F. Borowski)—Chas. Fishel.

Violin Quintet, "Pizzicato Serenade" (Franklin)—Eula Owen, Fred Meffert, George MacKay, Robert Connor and Chas. Fishel.

Violin Solo, "The Holy City" (S. Adams)—Eula Owen.

Violin Duet, "O! Restless Sea" (White)—Robert and Edward Connor.

Violin Solo, "Flowers and Ferns" (R. A. Keiser)—George MacKay.

"Keep in Step" (Spaulding)—Violins, Eula Owen, George MacKay, Robert Connor, Fred Meffert, Chas. Fishel and Edward Connor; piano, Jessie Wood.

The armory stage was prettily decorated for the evening and many of the friends of Miss Connor and her class were present to enjoy their recital.

There were three selections played during the evening that were not on the program. They came as a very pleasant surprise to the audience and were greatly enjoyed. They were the following selections: "Lustspiel" Overture, Medley Overture, and the "Reign of Youth," played by the Ocala Concert Orchestra, who have been practicing together for the past year, and who play very delightfully.

Miss Connor's first violin in the orchestra and it is largely through her influence that the weekly meetings of this organization are held.

INVITATIONS RECEIVED

The following invitations have been received in Ocala by the friends of Miss Janet Weathers and Miss Lilian Anderson, who are graduates of the Emma Willard School this year:

"The class of 1909, Emma Willard School, requests the pleasure of your presence at the commencement exercises, closing the ninety-fifth year of the school, Wednesday morning, June the ninth, half after ten o'clock, Music Hall.

"Address by the Rev. William R. Richards, D. D., Brick Church, Fifth Avenue, New York City."

FRANK HARRIS, JR., CAPTAIN OF THE BALL TEAM

At a meeting of the baseball association held on the diamond late Friday afternoon Mr. Frank Harris, Jr., was elected captain of the ball team. Mr. Harris is a baseball enthusiast, and is among the best players that the Ocala team has and will be a fine captain. Mr. E. C. Bennett is manager of the team.

About twenty little folks who did not go on the union picnic gathered together in the woods in front of Col. Livingston's and Mr. Camp's, and had a spread dinner. They were as happy as the birds and as busy as bees, cutting joy and song from each hour. Their young chaperons were Misses Annie Pearl Liddon, Katherine Livingston and Annette Eggleton. It was called V's and C's picnic and watermelon, ice cream and lemonade and cake were the desserts.

Dr. W. R. O. Veal of Martel, the youngest-oldest physician in the county, was among our Friday visitors. He says that he has been a citizen of Marion county for more than thirty-three years, the age of a single generation, and that it is the driest time he has ever known. Ponds that have always had more or less water in them are now totally dry and the question of procuring water for cattle on the range is getting to be a serious one.

BISHOPS CALLED TO LAST REWARD IN RECENT YEARS

Five bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, have been overtaken by the Grim Reaper since the last general conference, which met in Birmingham, in May, 1906, and there are now living only nine dignitaries, one of whom, Bishop Oscar Penn Fitzgerald, of Nashville, has been retired, says the Nashville American. Of the others, Bishop Joseph Staunton Key of Sherman, Texas, who is 80 years of age, and Bishop Alpheus Waters Wilson, of Baltimore, 75 years of age, will probably be superannuated at the next general conference, which will be held in May, 1910.

Four bishops will have to be elected to place the college of bishops where it stood when the election in 1906 took place, and as the church has grown considerably, it is confidently believed there will be no less than six bishops elected at the next conference with strong probabilities of eight. After the election of 1906 it was contended that not enough bishops had been elected, and two of them, Bishops Smith and Duncan, were at that time in a state of ill health. Bishop Tigert died shortly after his elevation to the office, November 21, 1906, and was soon followed by Bishop Smith, who died December 27, of the same year.

Bishop Tigert

Bishop Tigert, the first to cross the Great Divide, was buried in Nashville, in beautiful Mt. Olive. He was born in Louisville, Ky., November 25, 1856, and died in Tulsa, Indian Territory, November 21, 1906. His parents were John and Mary Van Veghton Tigert. He completed his studies in the municipal schools of Louisville and then attended Vanderbilt University for a course of theological training at the opening of that institution in 1875. Two years later he was graduated. He labored in the Louisville conference for a brief time as pastor. In 1880 he returned to Vanderbilt for a more thorough training in the usual courses of study, supporting himself and family by teaching some of the sub-college classes that were conducted by the university at that time. He was made instructor in the department of church history in that institution in 1882, and in 1884 was transferred to the chair of philosophy. He prepared and published a book, "The Handbook of Logic." He resigned his chair in 1890 and was appointed to a pastoral charge in Kansas City, Mo. During the ensuing four years he wrote one of the ablest books, "A Constitutional History of American Methodism." He was made editor of books and of the Quarterly Review of his church in 1894 at the Memphis conference. He was elected bishop in 1906, but presided at only two conferences, in the new state of Oklahoma.

He married Miss Amelia McTyeire, daughter of Bishop H. McTyeire, in 1878. He was survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons.

Bishop Smith

Bishop Alexander Coke Smith, D. D., died in Asheville, N. C., December 27, 1906, at the age of 57 years, of pulmonary tuberculosis. He was born in South Carolina, September 16, 1849, and was elected to the episcopacy at Dallas, in 1902. He was laid to rest at Norfolk, Va., on December 30.

In 1891 he was a member of the Ecumenical conference that met in Washington and discussed "Christian Co-operation," his discussion being followed by the most remarkable debate of the conference. Again, in 1901, he went to London as a member of the Ecumenical conference held that year. In 1898 he received a large vote for the episcopacy, and that fall he was sent as our fraternal delegate to the Methodist church of Canada. He married Miss Kate Kinard, December 22, 1875.

Bishop Granberry

John Cooper Granberry was born in Norfolk, Va., December 5, 1839. He was graduated from Randolph-Macon college in 1848, and joined the Virginia conference the same year, having received his license to preach while still in college. He filled various appointments in that conference for the next twelve years, the last three years previous to the breaking out of the civil war having been spent as a chaplain to the University of Virginia. During the whole period of the war he was a chaplain in the Confederate army. In one engagement he was severely wounded by a musket ball which, striking his face, cost him the sight of one eye. As his sight was not good at best, this proved to be a severe loss to him.

His active episcopal service covered a period of twenty years, the general conference of 1902 granting him the superannuate relation. For a time he resided in the west, making his home at St. Louis. Later he returned to his native state, purchased a home in the little town of Ashland, and spent there his remaining years. He died April 1, 1907.

Bishop Duncan

Bishop William Wallace Duncan

died in Spartanburg, S. C., March 2, 1908. He was born December 27, 1839, in Mecklenburg county, Virginia, and was graduated from Wofford College, South Carolina, in 1858. The next year he entered the itinerant ministry in the Virginia conference. During the civil war he was a chaplain in the Confederate army. At the close of the conflict he again became a pastor, and for ten years occupied some of the best pulpits in the state. In 1875, at the call of his alma mater, he was transferred to the South Carolina conference, and was appointed financial agent of Wofford College, in which office he did yeoman service until 1885, traveling over the entire state, making educational addresses, soliciting funds and stirring up interest in many ways. His first appearance in a general conference was at Atlanta in 1878. There and at Nashville, in 1882, he showed himself the possessor of unusual qualities. In 1886, at Richmond, he was chosen first of four to the episcopacy, the other three being Bishops Galloway, Hendrix and Key.

Bishop Galloway

Few deaths in recent years affecting the college of bishops caused more widespread regret outside of the church than that of Bishop Galloway recently. Among the newspaper men, especially, he was highly regarded. He was a man of wide information and very approachable. One of the very few times when he declined to see a Nashville man was on his visit to the city in the past few days. When approached then for his views on the significance of the situation in Turkey to religious matters, he asked to be excused, pleading illness. Subsequent events, sad to say, showed only too well, how just his plea was.

CIRCUIT COURT DOINGS FRIDAY

Friday was quite a busy day in the circuit court, notwithstanding the intensity of the heat.

The jury which had been out all night in the Draft case, returned a verdict against both Albert Smith and Isabella Draft of guilty of murder in the first degree, but in the case of the woman the verdict implored the mercy of the court, which under the law prevents her execution.

The lawyers up to this time have done nothing to stay the execution of the verdict, but it is thought a motion for a new trial will be made in favor of the woman.

The jury was composed of very excellent men and we accept the verdict as a righteous one, but we believe that if we had been a juror we would have made the sentence for the man life imprisonment also, for we very much doubt that the execution of the death sentence longer has any deterrent effects and the life sentence would perhaps be just as salutary, the punishment would be longer, would be continually an object lesson, and besides the state would reap some benefits from the punishment.

Will Barnum, who was convicted of assault with intent to murder Lizzie Davis, was sentenced to pay a fine of fifty dollars and costs, or else serve sixty days in the county jail.

Henry Singleton, who was convicted of criminal assault, was sentenced to life imprisonment in the state penitentiary.

Julia Armond, convicted of mayhem—throwing lye into another woman's face—was sentenced to one year in the state penitentiary.

Henry Bennett, convicted of breaking and entering, was given two years in the state prison.

The court will reconvene this morning at nine o'clock.

SOLVING THE PROBLEM

Considerable credit is due Senator J. H. Humphries of the Bradenton Journal for securing the third reading by the senate of the bill appropriating \$50,000 for the purchase and equipment of a state prison farm. It is conceded that if the bill is finally passed, it will mark the first step toward the abolishing of the present convict lease system. It must be only a question of time until the system is abolished and the convicts put to work in the building of good roads. Georgia's example is having its influence on all of the surrounding states. From Virginia through the Carolinas and westward to Alabama and Tennessee, there has developed a wonderfully strong campaign for good roads and it is now becoming a popular theory that one of the best methods of obtaining these roads is by having them built by the county convicts. The present farm or farms will go a long way toward solving the problem of taking care of the convicts and make them practically self-sustaining.—St. Augustine Record.

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A SCOUT OF THE SKY

In sailing his dirigible balloon from Arlington, N. J., over Manhattan and back, Capt. Thomas S. Baldwin will not merely give the people of New York something curious to look at. He is a military balloonist. He has built and sailed for the government a war balloon whose type has been accepted. He desires to give an illustration of the ease with which an aerial airship might bombard the city.

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